hereby require you forthwith to cause all inferiour officers and Liber B. souldiers under your Comand to meet you at a Generall Mus- P. R. O. ter by you to be appointed and that you there cause to prove and fix their Armes soe as to be in readiness at an houres warning for the service of his Lord<sup>p</sup> in the defence of the Province and that you also make report to the Deputyes Lieut' at the City of S' Maryes with all speed what quantity of ammunition of each sort you have ready for his Lords<sup>ps</sup> service aforesaid, Given under our hands and Seales the 28th day of June 1687. Henry Darnall (÷)

Clement Hill (Lo)

And the said Coll. Darnall further reported to the Board that they had writt the following Letters to Coll. Lowe & Coll. Stevens vizt

Coll. Darnall and Mr Hill A few dayes since Majr Sayer sent hither an ex-Letrs about press of advice he had from Coll: Coursey that the Nant: Ind: to Coll: Lowe. Empr of Nanticoke had lately sent to him to demand three Englishmen that as they alleadged had killed an Indian of theirs and that the Emp<sup>r</sup> would not be satisfied to have them sent down to St Maryes, that alsoe 50 of the said Indians are lately come into Baltemore County and its suspected with noe good intent and that they every where appear very insolent, the Secretaryes being gone into Virginia here was not sufficient of the Deputyes to give orders as the Case might require but however we think it absolutely necessary some preparatory Course be taken against the Secretaryes return or p. 103 enough of the Deputyes meeting therefore have adventured to send a precept of the like nature to the Chief Officers of Baltemore, Cæcill, Kent, Dorchester and Sumersett Countys and have desired Coll. Stevens to goe to the Emp' to know what tis he demands which is what by this occasion at present offers from

Your humble servants St Maryes June 28th 1687. Henry Darnall To the honble Coll. Vincent Lowe &c. Clement Hill

The Letter to Coll. Stevens followes.

Sir Coll. Darnall and Mr Hill Wee lately received an express from Maj<sup>r</sup> Sayer Letter to Coll. who gives us an accot that Coll. Coursey had lately Stevens about advised him that the Emp<sup>r</sup> of Nanticoke had lately sent to him to demand three Englishmen who they alleadged had killed an Indian of theirs in Bush River in Baltemore County, that the Emp' would not be satisfied with their being